

CD is a mono- or polydeoxy α -, β - or γ -cyclodextrin, carrying in its 6-, 3- and/or 2-position the aminoxy function containing group (X-Y-ONH₂), and optionally carrying further substituents different from (X-Y-ONH₂) in their 6-, 3- and/or 2-positions, and wherein Y is a linker group between the aminoxy group and the mono- or polydeoxy-CD-group,

X is a functional group or an atom necessary to connect the linker Y and the deoxy CD group, or Y is a direct bond when X is a direct bond, and

n is greater than or equal to 1, but less than or equal to 18, 21 or 24 for α -, β - or γ -cyclodextrin, respectively, as well as the aminoxy protected derivatives thereof.

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2. (Amended) The derivative according to claim 1, wherein Y and X are both direct bonds.

3. (Amended) The derivative according to claim 1 or 2, wherein one or more of the primary hydroxyl groups at a 6-position of α -, β - or γ -CD are substituted with a X-Y-ONH₂ fragment, wherein X and Y have the meaning of claim 1.

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4. (Twice Amended) The derivative according to claim 1, wherein Y is a linear or branched alkylene, alkenylene with one or more double bounds which may be either isolated or conjugated,

alkynylene with one or more triple bonds which may be either isolated or conjugated, or arylene or arylalkylene fragments where aryl may be substituted or not substituted, whereby the alkylene, alkenylene and alkynylene fragments may be linear or branched, and one or more of the chain members (methylene groups) may be replaced by -NH-, -O-, -S-, -S-S-, -C(O)NH, -C(O)O-, -OP(O)(OH)O-, -S(O)-, SO₂-, or -CHR-, where R is alkyl, aryl, -OR', -NH₂, -NHR', -NR'₂, -OH, -COOH, or -ONH₂ groups and where R' is alkyl, aryl, or acyl.

5. (Twice Amended) The derivative according to claims 1 or 4, wherein X is selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -NH-, -NR"-, -OCO-, -NH-O-, =NO-, -NHC(O)-, -OP(O)(OH), and -R"C=NO-, where R" is linear or branched lower alkyl.

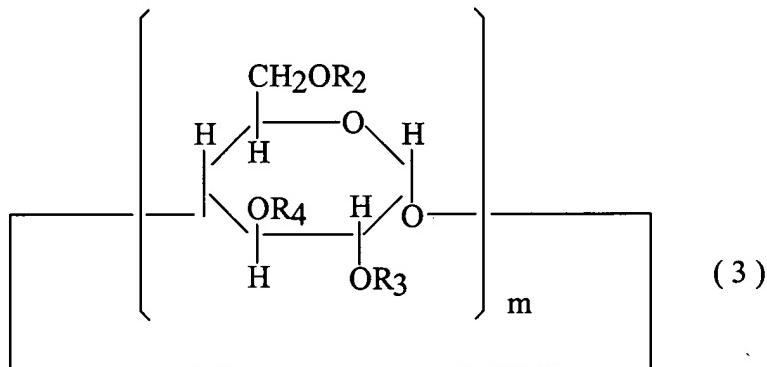
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6. (Twice Amended) The derivative according to claim 4, wherein Y is alkylene containing 2-12 C-atoms, wherein one or more of the chain members may be replaced by -NH-, -O-, -S-, -C(O)NH-, -C(O)O-, or CHR₁ wherein R₁ is methyl, ethyl or propyl and X is -O-, -S-, -NH-, -OC(O)-, or -NH-C(O)-.

7. (Twice Amended) The derivative according to claim 1, wherein one or more of the hydroxyl groups at 6-, 3-, and/or 2-position(s) are substituted with a group selected from the group consisting of H₂N-, HS-, -COOH, alkoxy-, aryloxy-, and acyloxy, and

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wherein said alkoxy-, aryloxy-, and acyloxy- can contain H₂N-, HS-, or -COOH in their structure, side chain or aromatic ring.

8. (Amended) A method for preparing the derivative of claim 1 of formula 1, wherein X is an oxygen atom, comprising the steps of:
- alkylating a cyclodextrin of formula (3) at one or more of the positions 6, 3, and/or 2 containing a hydroxyl group,



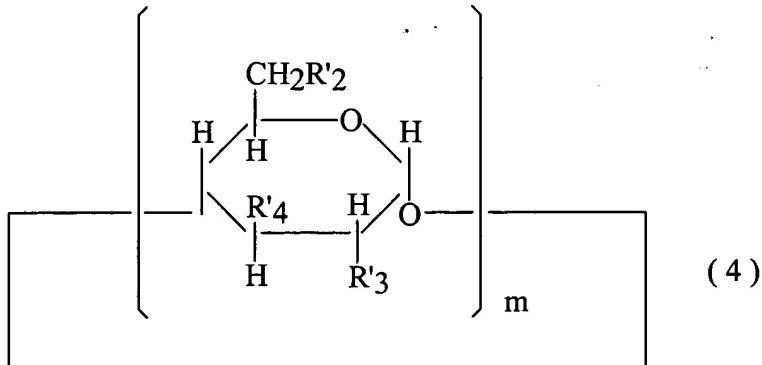
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wherein R₂, R₃, and R₄ are hydrogen or substituents selected from the group consisting of alkyl, aryl and acyl, and wherein said substituents' functional groups, if they exist, are protected whenever necessary,

with a compound according to formula (3'):



wherein W is -OC₂H₅ or -CH₃, m and Y are as defined in claim 1, and Z is a reactive group, and optionally protecting group(s) is/are removed, or

b) alkylating a cyclodextrin derivative of formula (4)



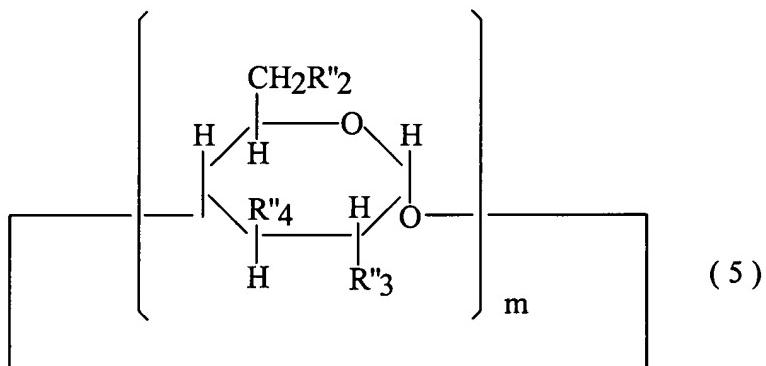
wherein R'_2 , R'_3 , R'_4 are hydroxy or activated groups selected from the group consisting of tosyl, mesyl, halogen, ester and epoxy or said substituent being in a protected form if necessary, whereby the cyclodextrin derivative contains at least one of said activated groups

with the compound of formula (4')



wherein X and Y are as in claims 1, 4 or 5, and W is $-OC_2H_5$ or $-CH_3$, and protecting group(s) is/are removed if necessary, or

(c) reacting a cyclodextrin derivative of formula (5)



wherein at least one of the groups R''₂, R''₃, and R''₄ are thiol-, amino-, carboxy-, or alkoxy-, aryloxy- or acyloxy groups which contain at least one thiol-, amino-, carboxy- group, or their derivative, and the remaining functional groups are hydroxyl groups or they have the meaning described in claim 7 for the substituents, and exist, if necessary, in a protected form, with an appropriate aminoxy protected substituted hydroxylamine according to formula (3'), after which the protecting group(s) are removed, or

(d) reacting a cyclodextrine derivative of formula (5), which contains one or more of keto or aldehyde groups,
 with bisaminoxy alkanes of formula (5')



wherein t is 2-12, and wherein one of the methylene groups can be substituted with oxygen or sulfur atom, or wherein -NH- or -S-S- groups, and a protecting group is removed if necessary.

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 10. (Amended) An oxime created from any one of the aminoxy-CDs of claim 1 by reacting said aminoxy-CDs with synthetic or natural aldehydes or ketones.

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 11. (Amended) Derivatives of nucleotide or nucleoside pyrimidines or purines with aminoxy-CDs, wherein said aminoxy group is linked to the heterocyclic ring of said pyrimidines or purines.

Please add the following new claims:

--12. (New) The aminoxy-cyclodextrin derivatives of claim 1, wherein the aminoxy protected derivative is ethoxy-ethylidene or acetone oxime derivatives thereof.--

--13. (New) The derivatives according to claim 4, where the alkylene, alkenylene, and alkynylene fragments contain 2 to 12 carbon atoms in the chain.--

--14. (New) The derivatives of claim 7, where the alkoxy is a C₁-C₆ alkoxy, the aryloxy is phenoxy, benzyloxy or tolyloxy, and the acyloxy originates from C₁-C₆ carboxyl or benzoic acids.--

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--15. (New) The derivatives of claim 11, wherein the aminoxy group is linked to the heterocyclic ring through pyrimidine C-4 and purine C-6, and wherein pyrimidine and purine are cytosine or adenine, or their derivatives.--

--16. (New) A method for preparing the derivative of formula 1 of claim 3, wherein X is an oxygen atom, comprising the steps of:
a) alkylating a cyclodextrin of formula (3), at one or more of the positions 6, 3, and/or 2 containing a hydroxyl group,

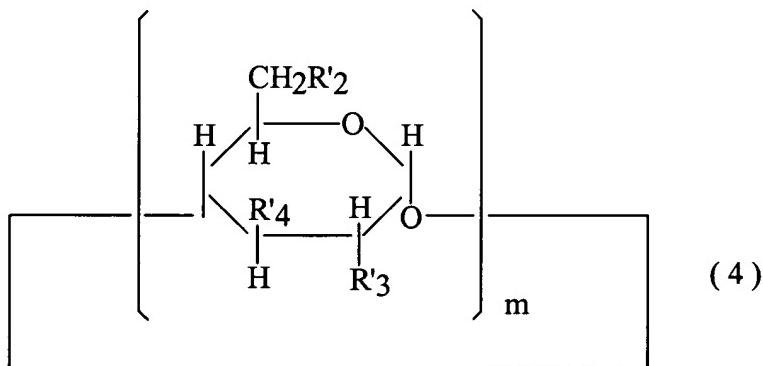
wherein R₂, R₃, and R₄ are hydrogen or substituents selected from the group consisting of alkyl, aryl, and acyl, and wherein said substituents' functional groups, if they exist, are protected whenever necessary,

with a compound according to formula (3'):



wherein W is -OC₂H₅ or -CH₃, m and Y are as defined in claim 3, and Z is a reactive group, and optionally protecting group(s) is/are removed, or

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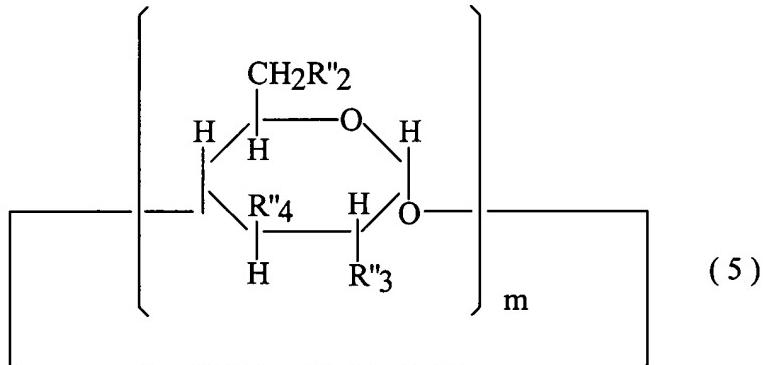
wherein R'₂, R'₃, R'₄ are hydroxy or activated groups selected from the group consisting of tosyl, mesyl, halogen, ester and epoxy or said substituent being in a protected form if necessary, whereby the cyclodextrin derivative contains at least one of said activated groups

with the compound of formula (4')



wherein X and Y are as in claims 1, 4 or 5 and W is $-OC_2H_5$ or $-CH_3$, and protecting group(s) is/are removed if necessary, or

(c) reacting a cyclodextrin derivative of formula (5)



wherein at least one of the groups R''_2 , R''_3 , and R''_4 are thiol-, amino-, carboxy-, or alkoxy-, aryloxy-, or acyloxy groups which contain at least one thiol-, amino-, carboxy-group, or their derivative, and the remaining functional groups are hydroxyl groups or they have the meaning described in claim 7 for the substituents, and exist, if necessary, in a protected form, modified with an appropriate aminoxy protected substituted hydroxylamine according to formula (3'), after which the protecting group(s) are removed, or

(d) reacting a cyclodextrin derivative of formula (5), which contains one or more of keto or aldehyde groups,

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